#### **Apply in Person**

We offer same-day service for eligible applicants requesting certified copies from all 4 of our locations

At our office, please be prepared to:

- Complete and sign an application
- 2. Provide your current and valid governmentissued photo ID with your signature
- 3. Provide any additional factual documentation to prove relationship or eligibility as required
- 4. Appropriate fee
- 5. Sign your application and provide a reliable phone number

**Note:** We will not be able to provide same-day service for ineligible applicants or for applicants who do not have valid, signed, government-issued photo ID.

## **Apply by Mail**

The average processing time for applications submitted through the mail is five business days from the date received by MCOVR.

Visit <a href="www.MaricopaVitalRecords.com">www.MaricopaVitalRecords.com</a> to download applications/forms and for information in obtaining a Vital Record via mail.

### **Expedited Service**

VitalChek, Inc. is an independent company the state has partnered with to provide online ordering. Additional fees apply much like a UPS or FedEx service.

The same rules and requirements concerning eligibility and possible required documents and fees apply when making a request.

VitalChek, Inc. accepts major credit cards including American Express, Discover, MasterCard, and Visa.

#### Fees:

Certified Copy \$20.00 Correction/Amendment \$ 30.00

## **Acceptable Forms of Payment**

Money Order Cashier's Check Visa\*\*

American Express\*\*
Discover\*\*

Mastercard\*\*

\*\*Credit card holder's valid government-issued, signed photo ID is required



### **Mailing Address**

Maricopa County Public Health Office of Vital Registration

P.O. Box 2111 Phoenix, AZ 85001

www.MaricopaVitalRecords.com



## Office of Vital Registration

4 Locations Valleywide

\*SAME DAY SERVICE\*

<u>Central Valley</u> 3221 N. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Ste. 100 Phoenix, AZ 85016

> East Valley 331 E. Coury Ave. Mesa, AZ 85210

<u>West Valley</u> 1850 N. 95<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ste. 182 Phoenix, AZ 85037

Northwest Valley 8088 W. Whitney Dr., Ste. 2A Peoria, AZ 85345

Hours of Operations

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Wednesday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

## **How to Apply**

Certified Copy of Arizona Death Certificate

## Who is Eligible to Apply

# Who is Eligible to Receive a Certified Copy of An AZ Death Record (A.A.C. R9-19-314)

Arizona is a "closed record" state. That means that vital records are not public records.

Arizona law identifies those who are eligible to receive a certified copy of an Arizona death record.

## Who is Eligible:

- 1. A funeral director representing one of the following in a final disposition of the deceased individual's human remains, within 12 months after the registration of the deceased individual's death:
  - The deceased individual through a prearranged funeral agreement, as defined in A.R.S. § 32-1301;
  - b. The deceased individual's spouse;
  - The deceased individual's parent, grandparent, or adult child, grandchild, brother, or sister; or
  - d. Another person who is responsible for the final disposition of the deceased individual's human remains according to A.R.S. § 36-831
- 2. The surviving spouse of the deceased individual
- 3. A parent or grandparent of the deceased individual
- An adult child, grandchild, brother, or sister of the deceased individual
- A person designated in a power of attorney, established by the deceased individual's parent according to A.R.S. § 14-5104 or 14-5107

- 6. Another person who is responsible for the final disposition of the deceased individual's human remains according to A.R.S. § 36-831
- A person named in the deceased individual's last will and testament as the executor of the deceased individual's estate
- 8. A person named as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy on the deceased individual
- A person designated in a court order to receive a certified copy of the deceased individual's certificate of death registration
- 10. A person authorized in writing to receive a certified copy of the deceased individual's certificate of death registration by a person who is eligible to receive a certified copy of the deceased individual's certificate of death registration according to (2), (3), (4), or (5)
- 11. An insurance company with which the deceased individual had a policy
- 12. A bank, a credit union, a mortgage lender, or another financial institution with which the deceased individual had an account or other business relationship
- 13. A hospital or other health care institution processing a claim against the deceased individual's estate
- 14. Another **person having a claim against** the deceased individual's **estate**

- 15. An attorney representing a person who is eligible to receive a certified copy of the deceased individual's certificate of death registration
- 16. The consulate of a foreign government representing a person who:
  - a. Is eligible to receive a certified copy of the deceased individual's certificate of death registration according to (2), (3), (4), or (5)
  - b. Is a citizen of a foreign country; and
  - c. Resides in the foreign country
- 17. The governmental agency processing:
  - a. A financial claim, a governmental benefit application, or
  - b. Another form of compensation on behalf of the deceased individual or
  - c. The deceased individual's estate or
  - d. Having another official purpose for a certified copy of the deceased individual's certificate of death registration

Only persons 18 years of age or older may obtain a certified copy of a death certificate.

## Presenting Documentation and Forms of ID in Languages Other than English

An applicant presenting documents from a foreign country as proof of relationship or proof of eligibility must provide certified copies of the documents. Photocopies are not acceptable. The applicant must also provide a certified translation of the documents.